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Proposed Rule Changes

This special issue of the SCOP newsletter provides an opportunity to review and comment upon proposed rule changes. The State Committee and the Division of Professional Registration have spent several months preparing these proposed revisions. At the last meeting of the committee held in Springfield on June 3-5, the committee approved these rule changes. The division has accepted the recommendations and intends to submit these changes to the Administrative Rules Division of the Office of the Secretary of State for initial publication in the *Missouri Register* in August of this year.

Upon publication, there will be a thirty (30) day comment period. It is anticipated that the committee could review any comments received at their committee meeting in September. The final order of rule making could be published by October of 1988. The minimum time that the rule can become effective is ten (10) days after the publication of the final order.

Several rules would be amended including (4) CSR 235-1.020 Fees, (4) CSR 235-1.030 Licensure, (4) CSR 235-1.050 Renewal of License, (4) CSR 235-1.035 Licensure by Endorsement of Written (EPPP) Examination Score, (4) CSR 235-1.037 Licensure Verification/Transfer of Scores to Other States/Jurisdictions, (4) CSR 235-1.040 Public Complaint Handling and Disposition Procedure, (4) CSR 235-2.020 Supervised Professional Experience, (4) CSR 235-2.030 Post Master's Degree Supervised Professional Experience, (4) CSR 235-3.011 Graduate Degree Program Requirements and (4) CSR 235-4.020 Reciprocal Licensing.

The changes clarify and restructure the fee schedule and permit payment of fees in the form of a cashier's check, personal check or money order. Additional language is added which defines the eligibility of an applicant to retake the EPPP and licensure by endorsement of written (EPPP) examination scores. A substantial amount of work has been done to enhance and define certain terminology and criteria.

Please make special note of the language pertaining to "satisfactory supervised professional experience in the general field of psychology" and the processes outlined for obtaining prior review of proposed plans for completing the post-degree supervision requirements. The reader will also find substantial new language in (4) CSR 235-3.011 pertaining to graduate degree program requirements.

We believe that the revisions proposed in these pages will resolve many issues and questions which have been posed during the past years. A number of individuals have been helpful in this process and we are appreciative of that assistance. We look forward to your comment and favorable response.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

6-5-88 DRAFT

4 CSR 235-1.020 Fees. This amendment changes section (1) by deleting, changing and adding fee amounts to make them more specific to their purpose.

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies and restructures the existing fee schedule.

(1) The following fees are established [by] for the State Committee of Psychologists and are payable in the form of a cashier's check, personal check or money order:

(A) Application Fee	[\$125.00;]	\$ 50.00
[(B) Reciprocity Fee		\$125.00]
<u>(B) Examination Fee</u>		<u>\$100.00</u>
[(C) Annual Renewal Fee		\$ 65.00;]
(and)		
(D) Late Renewal Fee	(\$ 20.00;)	
1. 60 days to 6 months		\$ 20.00;
2. 6 months to 1 year		\$ 85.00;
3. 1 year to 2 years		\$150.00;]
<u>(C) Re-examination Fee</u>		<u>\$100.00</u>
<u>(D) Reciprocity/Endorsement Fee</u>		<u>\$ 50.00</u>
[(E) Transfer of Score Fee		\$ 25.00;]
<u>(E) Annual Renewal Fee</u>		<u>\$ 65.00</u>
<u>In Addition to:</u>		
[(F) Replacement of Wall-Hanging		
License Fee		\$ 10.00;]
[and]		
<u>(F) Delinquency Fee:</u>		
<u>1. 60 days to 6 months late</u>		<u>\$ 20.00</u>
<u>2. 6 months to 1 year late</u>		<u>\$ 85.00</u>
<u>3. 1 year to 2 years late</u>		<u>\$150.00</u>
[(G) Recognition of Additional Degree Fee		\$ 30.00;]
<u>(G) Photocopies Per Page</u>		<u>\$.50</u>
<u>(H) Licensure Verification/Transfer of Score to</u>		
<u>Other States Fee</u>		<u>\$ 25.00</u>
<u>(I) Replacement of Wall-Hanging</u>		
<u>License Fee</u>		<u>\$ 10.00</u>
<u>(J) Insufficient Funds Check Service Charge</u>		<u>\$ 50.00</u>
<u>(K) Prior Review Fee - Educational Experience</u>		<u>\$ 25.00</u>
<u>(L) Prior Review Fee - Post-Degree Supervision</u>		<u>\$ 25.00</u>

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4 CSR 235-1.030 Licensure [by Examination]. This amendment changes sections (1) and (2); rennumbers section 3 to 4, 4 to 6, 5 to 7 and 6 to 8; and adds sections 3, 5, 9 and 10.

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies the procedures for licensure.

(1) Applications for licensure [by examination] must be made on forms provided by the State Committee of Psychologists. Application forms may be obtained by writing the State Committee of Psychologists, P.O. Box [4] 153, Jefferson City, MO 65102.

(2) Applications and all other documents required by the committee for licensure by examination must be received at least sixty (60) days before the examination. Completed [A] applications received [or completed] less than sixty (60) days before [the next] a scheduled examination will not be considered for [the following] that examination.

(3) Applications and all other documents required by the committee for licensure other than by examination, such as by reciprocity, must be received at least thirty (30) days before a regularly scheduled committee meeting. Completed applications received less than thirty (30) days before a regularly scheduled committee meeting will be considered at a subsequent committee meeting.

[(3)] (4) Following the committee's review, the applicant will be informed by letter either - a) that [his] the application [for examination] has been approved, or b) that [it] the application has been rejected. Any rejection letter will outline, with as much specificity as practicable, the reasons for rejection.

(5) If the application is approved by the State Committee for Psychologists, the applicant shall submit the examination fee to the committee's office in order to be eligible to sit for the examination.

[(4)] (6) Twice each year [at Jefferson City], the committee will conduct examinations of qualified applicants for licensure as a psychologist. The time and location of each examination will be determined by the committee and may be obtained by contacting the [executive secretary] committee's office. Examinations will be conducted and supervised by the executive [secretary] director, or [his designees] designated staff, under the supervision of the State Committee of Psychologists.

[(5)] (7) An applicant will be deemed to have passed the examination if [his] the score obtained on the examination is equal to or greater than the national mean score for all persons taking that examination as computed by the testing service. For purposes of computing an applicant's score, the standard error of the mean shall not be considered.

[(6)] (8) Applicants will be informed by letter of the results of the examination. Any applicant who fails the examination will be permitted to sit for the next examination upon payment of the re-examination fee; provided, however, that [no applicant will be permitted to take the examination more than three (3) times] any applicant who has taken and failed the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) in this state or any other state(s) or jurisdiction(s) a combined total of three (3) times shall not take any further examination until a written proposal for additional education has been received and prior approval granted by the committee. An applicant will be permitted to take the examination one (1) additional time upon receipt of the documentation that such additional education has been completed. Any applicant who has taken the examination a combined total of four (4) times in this state or in any other state or jurisdiction shall not be permitted to sit for the examination in this state.

(9) An applicant approved by the committee to sit for an examination must take one of the next three examinations administered by the committee from the date of such initial committee approval. If the applicant has not taken the examination as herein prescribed -

(A) The initial committee approval to sit for such examination shall then become invalid; and

(B) In order to be considered for such examination later, the applicant shall file with the committee a complete new application including the nonrefundable application fee and must meet the requirements for licensure at the time such application is filed. Upon approval to sit for the examination, the examination fee will be required.

(10) An application will not be considered as officially submitted until the applicant submits all required documents, supporting materials, official transcripts and pays all required fees. That fee must be in the form of a cashier's check, personal check or money order.

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4 CSR 235-1.050 Renewal of License. This amendment changes section (2).

PURPOSE: This amendment eliminates sexist language.

(2) Any licensee who fails to renew [his] the license within the sixty (60)-day period set forth in section 337.030.2, RSMo shall not perform any act for which a license is required.

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4 CSR 235-1.035 Licensure by Endorsement of Written (EPPP) Examination Score.

PURPOSE: This rule outlines procedures for receiving and considering the applicants' EPPP score(s) taken previously in another state or jurisdiction.

(1) Any applicant who has taken and passed the Examination for the Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) and who wishes to apply for licensure by endorsement of score, shall submit to the committee the following:

(A) the non-refundable application fee;

(B) the completed application, including all documents, supporting material and official transcripts required by the committee; and

(C) the EPPP test scores sent directly from the Interstate Reporting Service of the Professional Examination Service.

(2) If the score received by the applicant on the EPPP is equal to or higher than the national mean score for all candidates for the EPPP at the time the applicant took the exam, the committee shall endorse that score of the individual applying for licensure in Missouri. Such endorsement shall relieve the applicant of the necessity of retaking the EPPP. The applicant must still meet all other current requirements for licensure in this state at the time the application was received before being issued a license.

(3) Upon approval by the committee that the applicant has met (2) above, the applicant shall submit the non-refundable endorsement fee. Upon receipt of the non-refundable endorsement fee the committee shall issue a license.

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4 CSR 235-1.037 Licensure Verification/Transfer of Scores to Other States/Jurisdictions

PURPOSE: This rule outlines the procedures for providing licensure information/transfer of scores of licensees to other states or jurisdictions.

(1) Licensees wishing to have licensure information or exam scores forwarded to other state licensing boards or jurisdictions must submit the following:

(A) A written request to the committee's office thirty (30) days prior to the date such requested information is due; and

(B) The non-refundable licensure verification/transfer of score fee.

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4 CSR 235-1.040 Public Complaint Handling and Disposition Procedure. This amendment changes sections (1), (2) and (4).

PURPOSE: This amendment corrects the title of the executive director, the post office box number and procedures for record-keeping purposes.

(1) The State Committee of Psychologists will receive and process each complaint made against any licensee, registrant of the committee, or unlicensed individual or entity, which complaint alleges certain acts or practices which may constitute one (1) or more violations of the provisions of chapter 337, RSMo. Any member of the public or the profession, or any federal, state, or local official, may make and file a complaint with the committee. Complaints will be received from sources both within and without the state of Missouri and processed in the same manner as those originating within Missouri. No member of the State Committee of Psychologists may file a complaint with this committee while holding that office, unless that member is excused from further committee deliberation or activity concerning the matters alleged within that complaint. The executive [secretary] director or any committee staff member may file a complaint pursuant to this rule in the same manner as any member of the public.

(2) Complaints shall be mailed or delivered to the following address: State Committee of Psychologists, 3523 North Ten Mile Drive, P. O. Box [4] 153, Jefferson City, MO 65102. However, actual receipt of the complaint by the committee at its administrative offices in any manner shall be sufficient. Complaints may be based upon personal knowledge, or upon information and belief, reciting information received from other sources.

(4) Each complaint received under this rule will be [logged in a book] maintained in a log kept by the committee [for that purpose]. The log [book] will contain a record of each complainant's name and address; the name and address of the subject(s) of the complaint; the date each complaint is received by the [board] committee; a brief statement of the acts complained of, including the name of any person injured or victimized by the alleged acts or practices; a notation whether the complaint resulted in its dismissal by the committee or in formal charges being filed with the Administrative Hearing Commission; and the ultimate disposition of the complaint. This log [book] shall be a closed record of the committee.

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4 CSR 235-2.020 Supervised Professional Experience. This amendment changes sections (1) and (3); rennumbers section (4) to (5) and rennumbers section (5) to (6); rennumbers and changes section (6) to (7) and rennumbers and changes section (7) to (10); and adds a new section (4), (9) and (11).

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies the procedures for supervised professional experience.

(1) All applicants for licensure as a psychologist [by examination], whether applying on the basis of a master's degree or a doctorate degree, must have had at least one (1) year of satisfactory supervised professional experience in the general field of psychology as defined in this rule, and must demonstrate compliance with this rule on the attestation forms provided by the committee. Attestation forms may be obtained by writing the committee's [executive secretary] office at P. O. Box [4] 153, Jefferson City, MO 65102.

(3) As applied to periods of supervision commencing on or after January 1, 1984, and on or before December 31, 1988, the phrase "satisfactory supervised professional experience in the general field of psychology" as used in section 337.020.2, RSMo shall mean post-degree training or practice of psychology obtained under the supervision of a licensed psychologist who is not a relative of the trainee. This one (1) year of supervised professional experience must be acquired in an organized health service training program; however, an applicant may obtain, with prior approval by the committee, this experience in a setting other than an organized health service training program. If the applicant desires this special approval, he shall have his supervisor submit a written detailed description of the proposed program of supervised professional experience. The psychological activities of the applicant must be performed pursuant to the supervisor's order, control, and full professional responsibility. Professional reports prepared by the applicant during the period of the professional experience must be cosigned by the supervisor. The supervisor shall maintain a continuing relationship with the applicant and must meet with the applicant a minimum of one (1) hour per week in face-to-face individual supervision. Group supervision is not acceptable for supervised professional experience under this regulation. The supervisor must certify to the department that the applicant has complied with these requirements for satisfactory professional experience.

(4) As applied to periods of supervision commencing on or after January 1, 1989, the phrase "satisfactory supervised professional experience in the general field of psychology" as used in section 337.020.2, RSMo shall mean:

(A) Post-degree training or practice of psychology obtained under the supervision of a licensed psychologist who is not a relative of the trainee.

(B) Supervised professional experience obtained in an organized training program for the delivery of psychological services. Such organized training program shall include the following:

1. Provides services appropriate to the trainee's intended area of expertise and practice;

2. Provides exposure to and interaction with a variety of professionals and disciplines in the delivery of psychological services;

3. Provides for the delivery of a wide range of psychological services appropriate to the intended area of practice of the trainee to a diverse clientele population with regard to age, gender and social economic status;

4. Provides for the delivery of services using a variety of diagnostic and theoretically-based interventions; and

5. Provides at least eight (8) hours per month of regularly scheduled in-service training or other learning activities, which over the course of the period of the supervised professional experience must include three of the following categories:

- A. Seminars, workshops or lectures;
- B. Readings and structured group discussions;
- C. Case conferences, consultations and collaborations with other professionals;
- D. Grand rounds;
- E. Attendance at psychological-oriented meetings conducted at the local, state, regional, or national level; or
- F. Psychologically-related continuing education credits approved by a recognized professional organization.

(C) Psychological activities of the trainee must be performed pursuant to the supervisor's order, control, and full professional responsibility.

(D) Reports prepared by the trainee during the period of the supervised professional experience must be co-signed by the supervisor.

(E) The supervisor shall maintain a continuing relationship with the trainee and must meet with the trainee a minimum of one (1) hour per week in face-to-face individual supervision. Group supervision is not acceptable for supervised professional experience under this regulation.

(F) The supervisor must certify to the department through the committee that the trainee has complied with the requirements for supervised professional experience through the use of the attestation forms provided by the committee.

[(4)] (5) Acceptable supervision occurs only when the supervisor and the applicant are both employed by or affiliated with the same professional setting.

[(5)] (6) For purposes of this rule, the term "relative of the trainee" shall mean a spouse, parent, child, sibling of the whole- or half-blood, grandparent, grandchild, aunt, or uncle of the trainee, or one who has a present relationship to the trainee as step-parent or step-child.

[(6)] (7) For purposes of this rule, the phrase "person, not a relative of the trainee, who would have been eligible for licensing at the time the supervision occurred" shall mean a person --

(A) Who was not a relative of the trainee as defined in section [(5)] (6) of this rule at the time the supervision took place;

(B) Who, at the time supervision took place, could have satisfied the present educational requirements of section 337.020, RSMo; and

(C) Who, at the time the supervision took place, could have satisfied the experience requirements of section 337.020, RSMo and of this rule, except for the requirement of having [himself] had a licensable supervisor.

[(7) The committee will review proposed supervised professional experience to determine if it would be acceptable under this rule if such a request is submitted at least sixty (60) days before it is scheduled to begin. Proposals should outline with as much specificity as possible the nature of the psychological duties to be performed by the applicant and the nature of the supervision.]

(9) All supervision must be acquired subsequent to the receipt of the graduate degree. For the purpose of this regulation, the date of the receipt of the graduate degree shall be the date the degree was conferred or awarded as set forth on the applicant's official academic transcript or as verified by the academic registrar or other like school official.

(10) The committee will upon request review a trainee's proposed or current plan of post-degree supervision to determine if such supervision is acceptable under this rule. All requests shall be submitted on the forms provided by the committee and accompanied by the prior review fee for post-degree supervision. All requests must be submitted to the committee thirty (30) days prior to a regularly scheduled committee meeting in order to be reviewed at that meeting.

(11) An applicant who has been denied licensure as a result of inadequate post-degree supervision who wishes to obtain prior review from the committee of their proposed plan for completing the post-degree supervision deficiencies shall submit a request on the forms provided by the committee accompanied with the prior review fee for post-degree supervision. All requests must be submitted to the committee no later than thirty (30) days prior to a regularly scheduled committee meeting in order to be reviewed at that meeting. Upon satisfactory completion of such deficiencies, the applicant shall reapply for licensure, submit the application fee and file with the committee an official attestation form from the supervisor that such post-degree supervision deficiencies have been completed.

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4 CSR 235-2.030 Post Master's Degree Supervised Professional Experience. This amendment changes sections (1) and (2); renumbers section (3) to (5); changes and renumbers section (5) to section (8); and adds a new section (3), (8), (9) and (10).

PURPOSE: This amendment clarifies the requirements for acceptable supervised professional experience.

(1) All applicants for licensure as a psychologist [by examination], applying on the basis of a master's degree (in addition to the one (1) year of satisfactory supervised professional experience in the general field of psychology as outlined in 4 CSR 235-2.020) must have had two (2) additional years of satisfactory supervised professional experience as defined in this rule [. Each applicant], and must demonstrate compliance with this rule on the attestation forms provided by the committee. Attestation forms may be obtained by writing the committee's [executive secretary] office, P.O. Box [4] 153, Jefferson City, MO 65102.

(2) As applied to periods of supervision commencing on or before December 31, 1988, the phrase "satisfactory professional experience" as used in section 337.020.2(b), RSMo means post-master's degree training or practice of psychology obtained in an organized health training program; however, an applicant may obtain, with prior approval by the committee, this experience in a setting other than an organized health service training program. If the applicant desires this special approval, he shall have his supervisor submit a written detailed description of the proposed program of supervised professional experience. The psychological activities of the applicant must be performed pursuant to the supervisor's order, control, and full professional responsibility. Professional reports prepared by the applicant during the period of the professional experience must be cosigned by the supervisor. The supervisor shall maintain a continuing relationship with the applicant and must meet with the applicant a minimum of one (1) hour per week in face-to-face individual supervision. Group supervision is not acceptable under this regulation. The supervisor must

certify to the department that the applicant has complied with these requirements for satisfactory professional experience.

(3) As applied to periods of supervision commencing on or after January 1, 1989, the phrase "satisfactory supervised professional experience in the general field of psychology" as used in section 337.020.2, RSMo shall mean:

(A) Post-degree training or practice of psychology obtained under the supervision of a licensed psychologist who is not a relative of the trainee.

(B) Supervised professional experience obtained in an organized training program for the delivery of psychological services. Such organized training program shall include the following:

1. Provides services appropriate to the trainee's intended area of expertise and practice;

2. Provides exposure to and interaction with a variety of professionals and disciplines in the delivery of psychological services;

3. Provides for the delivery of a wide range of psychological services appropriate to the intended area of practice of the trainee to a diverse clientele population with regard to age, gender and social economic status;

4. Provides for the delivery of services using a variety of diagnostic and theoretically-based interventions; and

5. Provides at least eight (8) hours per month of regularly scheduled in-service training or other learning activities, which over the course of the period of the supervised professional experience must include three of the following categories:

A. Seminars, workshops or lectures;

B. Readings and structured group discussions;

C. Case conferences, consultations and collaborations with other professionals;

D. Grand rounds;

E. Attendance at psychological-oriented meetings conducted at the local, state, regional or national level; or

F. Psychologically-related continuing education credits approved by a recognized professional organization.

(C) Psychological activities of the trainee must be performed pursuant to the supervisor's order, control, and full professional responsibility.

(D) Reports prepared by the trainee during the period of the supervised professional experience must be co-signed by the supervisor.

(E) The supervisor shall maintain a continuing relationship with the trainee and must meet with the trainee a minimum of one (1) hour per week in face-to-face individual supervision. Group supervision is not acceptable for supervised professional experience under this regulation.

(F) The supervisor must certify to the department through the committee that the trainee has complied with the requirements for supervised professional experience through the use of the attestation forms provided by the committee.

[(3)] (5) For purposes of this rule, the term "relative of the trainee" shall mean a spouse, parent, child, sibling of the whole- or half-blood, grandparent, grandchild, aunt, or uncle of the trainee, or one who has a present relationship to the trainee as step-parent or step-child.

[(5) The committee will review proposed satisfactory professional experience to determine if it would be acceptable under this rule if such a request is submitted at least sixty (60) days before it is scheduled to begin. The applicant shall have his supervisor provide to the committee a written proposal outlining with as much specificity as possible the nature of the psychological duties to be performed by the applicant and the nature of the supervision.]

(8) All supervision must be acquired subsequent to the receipt of the graduate degree. For the purpose of this regulation, the date of the receipt of the graduate degree shall be the date the degree was conferred or awarded as set forth on the applicant's official academic transcript or as verified by the academic registrar or other like school official.

(9) The committee will upon request review a trainee's proposed or current plan of post-degree supervision to determine if such supervision is acceptable under this rule. All requests shall be submitted on the forms provided by the committee and accompanied by the prior review fee of post-degree supervision. All requests must be submitted to the committee thirty (30) days prior to a regularly scheduled committee meeting.

(10) An applicant who has been denied licensure as a result of inadequate post-degree supervision who wishes to obtain prior review from the committee of their proposed plan for completing the post-degree supervision deficiencies shall submit a request on the forms provided by the committee accompanied with the prior review fee for post-degree supervision. All requests must be submitted to the committee no later than thirty (30) days prior to a regularly scheduled committee meeting in order to be reviewed at that meeting. Upon satisfactory completion of such deficiencies, the applicant shall reapply for licensure, submit the application fee and file with the committee an official attestation form from the supervisor that such post-degree supervision deficiencies have been completed.

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4 CSR 235-3.011 Graduate Degree Program Requirements. This amendment reorganizes and clarifies the educational requirements.

PURPOSE: This amendment lists the educational requirements in outline format and clarifies acceptable course work.

(1) The phrase "a program of studies whose content was primarily psychological" as used in section 337.020, RSMo, [(1978) is interpreted to mean] shall be defined as any one (1) of the following:

(A) An educational program which has been approved, including provisional approval, by the Education and Training Board of the American Psychological Association, or its successor, or designated by the Council for the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology, or its successor, at the time the applicant obtained the degree; or

(B) A graduate training program as follows:

1. [a]An integrated, organized sequence of study, the purpose of which is to educate and train people to be professional psychologists. [An applicant for licensure as a psychologist, possessing either a doctorate or a master's degree, will be deemed to have met the educational requirements of chapter 337, RSMo (1978) if the degree program was designed to train the applicant to discharge the responsibilities of the practice of psychology as defined in section 337.015, RSMo (1978).]

2. [The applicant's educational program shall include c]Core course work in the basic areas of psychology, and course work and training in preparation for the professional practice of psychology, as defined in sections 337.015.3 and 337.015.4, RSMo (1986)[. Core course work in psychology] shall include [graduate course work in the] at least one (1), three-(3) semester hour graduate credit course or a combination of graduate credit courses totaling three (3) semester hours or five (5), quarter-hours in each of the following areas:

A. The biological bases of behavior, such as courses in sensation and perception, physiological psychology and psychopharmacology, and brain and behavior;

B. The cognitive-affective bases of behavior, such as courses in learning, thinking, motivation [and], emotion and cognitive psychology;

C. The social bases of behavior, such as courses in the psychology of interpersonal relationships, group processes, social psychology, [and] organizational theory, [and] systems theory, group dynamics and role theory and family systems theory;

D. Individual differences, such as courses in personality theory, human development, [and] abnormal psychology, developmental psychology, child psychology, adolescent psychology, psychology of aging, psychopathology and theories of personality; and

E. The scientific methods and procedures of understanding, predicting and influencing human behavior, such as courses in statistics, experimental design [and], psychometrics, individual testing, group testing, research design and methodology.

3. Each course must be an in-depth study solely devoted to a particular core area. No core area credit will be given for a course which contains only components or some aspects of a core area.

4. A course will be counted only once in granting credit for a core area.

5. No core course credit will be given for practicums, workshops, continuing education, applied courses, experiential courses, readings courses, independent studies or correspondence courses.

6. Credit will be given for seminar courses only if the applicant is awarded a grade for the course and provides substantiation through course descriptions in official school catalogs, course syllabuses, bulletins or other like means or through written documentation from a school official that the course was an indepth study of a particular core area and that the course included lectures and discussions concerning a wide range of the key topics in that core area.

7. Titles of course work on official transcripts which are not self-explanatory must be substantiated through course descriptions in official school catalogs, course syllabuses, bulletins or other like means or through written documentation from a school official;

8. The committee will not count undergraduate level courses taken by an applicant as meeting any academic requirements unless the applicant's official graduate transcript clearly shows that the course was awarded graduate credit by the school or that a competency examination was successfully passed in that particular core area and is clearly shown on the transcript;

9. The committee will not accept course work for which an applicant received a failing or incomplete grade or for which no credit was given as indicated on the official transcript.

10. In evaluating transcripts, the committee shall consider a quarter (1/4) hour of academic credit as two-thirds of a semester hour;

11. An appropriate program of study also shall include graduate course work and supervised practical training in rendering services to individuals, groups and organizations in preparation for the professional practice of psychology as defined in sections 337.015.2 and 337.015.4, RSMo (1986).

12. The applicant shall provide official transcripts and any other supporting evidence necessary to document the fact that these educational requirements have been met. The applicant has the burden of demonstrating that [his] the academic course work and training constituted a program of study whose content was primarily psychological. A final determination of whether the program of study which formed the basis of the applicant's degree was "primarily psychological" is within the discretion of the department.

13. An applicant who has been denied licensure as a result of inadequate educational experience who wishes to make up academic deficiencies and who wishes to obtain prior approval from the committee of the applicant's proposed plan for completing the deficiencies may submit a proposed plan for completing the academic requirements to the committee for its evaluation. All information must be submitted to the committee no later than thirty (30) days prior to a regularly scheduled committee meeting in order to be reviewed at that meeting. Upon satisfactory completion of such deficiencies, the applicant shall reapply for licensure, submit the application fee and file with the committee an official transcript or verification from the academic registrar's office or other like school official that such academic deficiencies have been completed.

14. The committee will review an applicant's educational credentials upon receipt of official educational transcripts received directly from the universities and upon payment of the fee for prior educational review. All information must be submitted to the committee no later than thirty (30) days prior to a regularly scheduled committee meeting to be reviewed at that meeting.

15. The committee will review an applicant's proposed plan for obtaining an appropriate educational degree and/or course work upon receipt of the photocopies of official school documents, such as course syllabuses or catalog descriptions of course work and degree programs, and upon payment of the fee for prior educational review. All information must be submitted to the committee no later than thirty (30) days prior to a regularly scheduled committee meeting to be reviewed at that meeting.

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4 CSR 235-4.020 Reciprocal Licensing. This amendment changes sections (A) and (D).

PURPOSE: This amendment incorporates the change in the fee structure and delegates authority from the department to the committee.

(1) In order to be licensed as a psychologist in the state of Missouri by reciprocity an applicant shall:

(A) pay to the department through the committee [a] the non-refundable application and reciprocity fees [fee of one hundred twenty-five dollars]; and

(D) be licensed or certified as a psychologist by another state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia that, in the opinion of the department with the advice of the committee, has licensing or certification requirements substantially equal to the requirements for licensure as a psychologist in the state of Missouri at the time the application for licensing is filed; and

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C O M M E N T S

Comments in favor of or opposition to the proposed rules listed above should be submitted to the State Committee of Psychologists, P. O. Box 153, Jefferson City, MO 65102. All comments should be received by no later than August 1, 1988.

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